



TUESDAY EVENING, OCT. 23, 1906.

FACING one of the largest audiences ever gathered within the monster space of Madison Square Garden, William Randolph Hearst, the democratic and independence league candidate for governor of New York, last night predicted his own election by 150,000. A feature of the meeting was the fact that Mr. Hearst was given one of the greatest receptions, from the point of cheering, ever given to any man in the history of New York political meetings. The political significance of all this thunder, which Mr. Hearst suddenly aroused, after seemingly to be losing strength in the territory of Manhattan, is something the wisest politician cannot conjure. Chas. F. Murphy, when asked by one of his closest friends last night if he was sincerely for Hearst, and if he would deliver Tammany to Hearst as far as his influence goes, replied vigorously: "I don't care a damn for this man Hearst. He is a monkey on a stick, so far as I am concerned. But David B. Hill and others have been trying to swing this State into the democratic column for years and all the democrats have got out of it has been defeat. All we want is to elect a man governor on the democratic ticket. And we'll get the goods afterwards. And these are democratic principles according to many of the present New York leaders of this party! No wonder so many democrats outside of New York are hoping that Hearst and his followers will be swept out of existence next month.

THAT THE express company managers are as nearly highwaymen, in their robbery of the public by exorbitant rates, as those clothed in purple and fine linen can be, is known by everyone who is compelled to use that form of transportation. Fortunately for the people the democrats included these companies in the provisions of the new railroad rate bill, which brings them under the supervision of the interstate commerce commission. The Society of American Florists recently filed a complaint against the United States Express Company charging that the rates were arbitrarily raised on May 1st from 25 to 50 per cent. This the petitioners declare "is altogether unreasonable and unjustified by the circumstances of the case and the exaction is very nearly ruinous. The United States and the other express companies are controlled by the railroad magnates Harriman and Senator Platt, and the stock is mainly owned by an inside ring of railroad officials. These express companies have been a law unto themselves, but they will now have to make—under the new law—a statement of their earnings and expenditures as the railroads do, and we shall soon know just how much of their plundering can be lopped off with justice to them and their customers.

PREPARATIONS are under way for a great legal battle between the government and the interstate railroad companies over the employers' liability act. The announcement by Attorney General Moody that the government will press for a test decision upon the constitutionality of the act, discloses the fact that a number of leading railroads have united in a movement to contest the law. Their contention is that Congress had no power to regulate the liability of master to servant in the absence of a statute fixing that liability in the first instance. It is understood that a case has already been selected on which to make the issue.

THAT THE administration is not suffering from overconfidence regarding the outlook for republican success in the congressional elections is shown by the care it is exercising to do nothing, even in alleged safely republican districts, which might cost a few votes. At the request of candidates in Illinois, Iowa, New York and Pennsylvania the supervising architect's office is deferring the selection of new public building sites and awarding of contracts for public buildings. It is understood nothing further will be done about the selection of sites for postoffices at Pittsburg and York until after November 6.

THE most interesting contest in the West in the elections to be held next month is in Iowa, where the "stand-pat" element of the republican party is opposing the re-election of Governor Cummins, the champion of tariff reform. Secretary Shaw, who is in sympathy with the "stand-pat" faction, prudently keeps out of his State in fear of compromise himself by a disastrous failure of the attempt to defeat Governor Cummins.

Despite official denials Chicago stock yard men are confident that the United States' packing interests are to be merged. The Department of Justice is said to be determined to keep in touch with any movement that may be made by the beef packers to effect a consolidation under a foreign holding company and those concerned are threatened with the penitentiary.

## From Washington.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)  
Washington, Oct. 23.  
In the conference with the commission on the tariff, the commission is to meet.

Free trade between Guatemala, Honduras, Salvador and Costa Rica has been established as a result of a treaty signed by these four countries of a treaty of "amity, commerce and labor." This treaty, which grew out of the recent war between the Central American republics, provides also that the United States and Mexico shall arbitrate any future differences between the signatory powers. The State Department today received from United States Minister William L. Merry, the American minister at Costa Rica, a full copy of the important treaty. Acting Secretary Keop of the Treasury Department announced this morning that all applications for an increase in national bank circulation, under Secretary Shaw's \$18,000,000 offer of yesterday, will be favorably acted upon in the order in which they are received. If banks should apply, however, for an increase of two or three million dollars, or even less, in the interest of the small banks it might be necessary for the Treasury Department to grant only a part asked for. The object of the Treasury Department is to serve as many banks as possible in order to secure a general distribution of circulation.

The turkey which will grace the table of the President's family upon Thanksgiving night is now being fattened at the farm of Horace Vose, Westbury, R. I. and it is under stood will be quite up to the size and flavor and juiciness of his illustrious predecessors.

The American Federation of Labor, it is said, will continue to oppose the re-election of Congress to Mr. Longworth, the President's son-in-law.

## Thanksgiving Proclamation.

Washington, D. C. October 23.—President Roosevelt this afternoon issued his annual Thanksgiving proclamation setting Thursday November 29th, as the date. He says: "The time of year has come when, in accordance with the wise custom of our forefathers, it becomes by duty to set aside a special day of Thanksgiving and praise to the Almighty because of the blessings we have received and of prayer that these blessings may be continued. Yet another year of widespread well-being has past. Never before in our history or in the history of any other nation has a people enjoyed more abounding material prosperity than in ours; a prosperity so great that it should arouse in us no spirit of reckless pride, and least of all a spirit of heedless disregard of our responsibilities; but rather a sober sense of our many blessings, and a resolute purpose, under Providence, not to forfeit them by any action of our own.

Material well-being, indispensable though it is, can never be anything but the foundation of true national greatness and happiness. If we build nothing upon this foundation, then our national life will be as meaningless and empty as a house where only the foundation has been laid. Upon our material well-being must be built a superstructure of individual and national life lived in accordance with the laws of the highest morality, or else our prosperity itself will in the long run turn out a curse instead of a blessing.

We should be most reverently thankful for what we have received, and earnestly endeavoring to secure more grace and not of destruction. Accordingly, I hereby set apart Thursday, the twenty-ninth day of November, next, as a day of thanksgiving and supplication, in which the people shall unite in their homes or their churches, devoutly acknowledge all that has been given them, and to pray that they may in addition receive the power to use these gifts aright.

## Verdict for Amusement Company.

New York, Oct. 23.—Miss Marion Draughn's suit against the Southern Amusement Company to recover \$12,000 because she was dismissed from the theatrical company giving "The Clansman," a dramatization of the Rev. Thomas Dixon's book of the same name, came to a sudden end in the Supreme Court, today, when Justice Bischoff directed the jury to return a verdict for the Amusement Company. The court held that the testimony given by the company to show that Miss Draughn was incompetent to play the star role had been contradicted.

Miss Draughn had a contract with the company for two years at a salary of \$150 a week. She was widely advertised in connection with the production, but was dismissed a few days before the opening performance. Miss Draughn, who is a striking beauty, is well known in exclusive Southern society as well as in Washington. She is the daughter of Judge Douglas Little, once regarded as one of the most influential republicans in the Carolinas. Her suit attracted a great deal of attention.

## Another Strike.

New Orleans, Oct. 23.—Forty-five machinists and sixty apprentices employed at the Algiers shops of the Southern Pacific Railroad, went on a strike today as the result of a disagreement between the machinists' union and the division master mechanic at Algiers, J. H. Nolan. The strikers contend that the company refused to recognize the union and discriminated against them.

Knife Only Remedy for Cure of Cancer.  
Paris, Oct. 23.—Professor Monprofit, of the School of Surgery at Angers, who has just returned from the international conference on cancer at Heidelberg, says that cancer is undoubtedly curable by surgical operation if taken in time. No serum has yet been discovered that will cure cancer and I find, he says, that the Germans are not further advanced than this respect than we are in France. Cancer, if taken in its earlier stages, is quite curable but only by means of a surgical operation that is the only remedy. The public must not be allowed to go on believing that the only practical cure for cancer is from some purely medical discovery instead of the surgeon's knife. Even if the remedy be ultimately discovered, the surgeon's intervention would still be necessary for the tumors would have to be removed.

## Asphyxiated.

Jersey City, N. J., Oct. 23.—Only twenty-four hours in this country having arrived from Macedonia, yesterday, Todor Dimitrie Panoff, 40 years old, and George Phoebe Stofchiff, 40 years old, were asphyxiated by a gas leak today at the lodging house at No. 516 Grove street.

## Testator's Mind Sound.

Chicago, Oct. 23.—The verdict returned today in the Wilkes will case declares that the testator was of sound mind when he made his will, and that none of the contestants is legally entitled to share the \$300,000 estate left by him larger than the amounts they now receive.

## News of the Day.

President Roosevelt announced yesterday that he would change his Panama party to include a day's stay in Porto Rico.

Because Max Birenbeck, 7 years of age, small and weighs only 17 pounds, not get into school, in New York, there are afraid he might get lost from the children.

John Doran, arrested at Wilkesburg, a suburb of Pittsburgh, Pa., Sunday, charged with attempting to cremate his wife, narrowly escaped lynching yesterday at the hands of an enraged mob of neighbors.

The partner in Havana of Manuel Silveira denies the statement cabled from Caracas, Venezuela, where Silveira now is, that he left the firm solvent. The partner says Silveira left nothing and took away \$68,000 in cash.

Payments on war claims, together with increased taxes from corporations, has put the Madison Wis., state treasury in such shape that even the one mill tax for schools will be cut in two. No general State tax will be levied at all.

The body of a man who died at a police station at Newark, N. J., yesterday, was identified later as that of Samuel Heap, aged 54 years, formerly proprietor of a large tin warehouse in Philadelphia. His widow lives in Fredericksburg, Va.

The steam yacht Josie, on which Governor Terrell, of Georgia; Mrs. Terrell and Major Williams, the owner, were cruising, and for the safety of which some fears were entertained, put into St. Catherine's Island in the recent tropical storm. All the party are safe and well.

The United States can take no steps to bring about the extradition of Silveira, the Cuban banker wanted in Havana and now said to be in Caracas, Venezuela. There is no extradition treaty between the Republic of Cuba and Venezuela, and the United States cannot interfere in any way in the case, according to State Department officials.

Jimmy Callahan's Logan Squares, Chicago's best semi-professional club, is laying claims to the baseball championship of the world. Callahan and his men have some reason for the extraordinary state of affairs. Saturday, Callahan's men, with Jimmy pitching, defeated the world's champion White Sox, and Sunday, with "Long Tom" Hughes, the Washington referee, in the pit, the Logan Squares took the measure of the Cubs by the score of 10 to 0, with "Three-fingered" Brown pitching for Chance's men.

Three Austrian miners were killed and a fourth was probably fatally injured yesterday by an explosion of powder in a mine of the Southwestern Development Company, near Mineral, Kansas. The miners were engaged in getting shovels ready for the shoot fire, and had several open "jacks" of powder, each containing 12 pounds of powder. A spark from a pit lamp in the cap of the men fell into one of the open kegs of powder, causing an explosion. Sheets of flame which swept down the entry burned every man in the entry. The dead men were roasted alive.

The entire country from the Rockies to the Missouri river, Sunday and yesterday experienced a snowfall almost unprecedented in severity for this season of the year. At many places the thermometer dropped far below freezing, and even below zero weather is reported. Nearly all the telegraph and telephone lines in Colorado were demoralized and the train service came almost to a stop. Various wrecks are reported in consequence of the heavy snowfall. In Utah 30 cars of a freight train were blown off the track. Six inches of snow is also reported from Minnesota.

In the presence of a courtroom packed with curi people, and a twelve-year old daughter who has never been away from her mother's side, Mrs. William Dittmar, pretty, refined and attractive, of Somerville, N. J., yesterday told a story of her intrigues with David Howard, a repulsive ironworker, who was murdered by her husband, that she might attribute a sufficient motive for the killing of Howard and save the life of her husband. Few, if any, in the room believed the woman's story, and her husband was sentenced to serve twenty years in the penitentiary. The crime was due to jealousy.

There is much apprehension felt by the agents of the Bishop steamer Arabistan for her safety. She has \$8,000,000 in gold on board. The Arabistan, which sailed from Buenos Ayres and Montevideo late last month, was last reported as having sailed from St. Lucia, on October 12. The Arabistan was bound for San Juan, P. R., but no news of her arrival there has been received in New York. It is feared that the vessel was caught in the cyclone that devastated Cuba and the West Indies. The gold represents shipment by South American bankers to the United States and in transit to Europe.

## Reunion of Eighth Virginia Regiment.

The reunion of the members of the Eighth Virginia Regiment, held at Leeburg yesterday, was largely attended by the survivors of that command. The occasion was the celebration of the battle of Balls Bluff, October 21, 1861, when the Eighth Virginia Regiment, under the command of Col. Epps Hunton, turned the tide of battle in favor of the Confederate cause against a superior federal force. Colonel Hunton, after the Gettysburg campaign, was promoted and Col. Edmund Berkeley succeeded him.

Gen. Epps Hunton and Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, of the United States Supreme Court, were invited guests of the reunion. The latter, who was wounded in the Balls Bluff fight, was not able to attend on account of official duties. Writing his regrets, he states that he was twice at Balls Bluff, and would like to point out to his friends of the other side that an eighth of an inch variation would have ended his career.

Everybody's Magazine for November, which has been received for its publishers in New York, contains eight special articles of importance to the reading public, and nine short stories of the highest quality. "Soldiers of the Common Good" deals with the achievements of the labor government of Australia. "A King in Business" is the remarkable story of King Leopold of Belgium. "The Autobiography of an Only Child" should be read by everyone interested in the upbringing of children. "The Sporting Champions of the Year" and "The Players" are interesting articles whose titles are a sufficient explanation. Jack London's "Before Adam" has its second installment in this issue.

## Virginia News.

Dr. O. A. Crenshaw died at his home, in Richmond, yesterday, aged 85 years. Frank E. Bell has been appointed postmaster at Brentsville, Prince William county.

Wm. A. Crawley, of Henrico county, was adjudged insane yesterday by a commissioner of lunacy. Crawley on Friday night attempted to kill his wife and threatened to shoot anybody with whom he came in contact.

A hearing on the demurrer of the defendant in the case of the State of Virginia vs. West Virginia, involving the debt contracted by Virginia before its partition, was yesterday fixed by the Supreme Court of the United States for March 4 next.

Further danger from the flood along the course of the Shenandoah river seems past. The flood reached twenty-one feet above low water, the highest in seventeen years. Whole fields of corn were swept away, and much valuable fencing and many small buildings carried down stream. The loss will run into the thousands of dollars.

At a meeting of the congregation of the Presbyterian Church at Fredericksburg, Sunday, action was taken on the resignation of Rev. Dr. J. W. Rosebro, which had been tendered the previous Sunday. Great regret was expressed at the action of Dr. Rosebro, and at the earnest request of the congregation he withdrew his resignation and will continue as pastor.

The grand camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia will hold its annual encampment at Roanoke, commencing tomorrow and continuing until Friday night. It is understood a number of matters of interest to the ex-Confederate soldiers will come up for action and officers for the coming year will be elected. The grand camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans will hold its reunion at Roanoke at the same time.

## FLOODS IN VIRGINIA.

The flood conditions in the lower part of Richmond were worse yesterday than they were Sunday. Local rains flooded Shockoe creek, the main drainage artery of Richmond. The high water in the river backed up the creek, and heavy rains coming on top of that flooded a considerable area lying between Fifteenth and Eighteenth streets and Franklin street and the river. The street cars were tired up Sunday and until noon yesterday, and boats were used to transfer citizens whose business required them to go and come from one part of the city to the other.

The loss to merchants is heavy, the water flooding the street floors in some instances to the top of the counters. A thousand men were temporarily thrown out of employment by the flooding of manufacturing plants, and the loss from this cause is considerable. The river is now falling steadily, and no further trouble is anticipated.

Six days of rain has started another freshet in the Appomattox river, which overflowed Sunday night, was a foot over the wharves at Petersburg yesterday afternoon and is slowly rising. A telegram from Farmville reports 11 feet of high water there.

## Secretary Shaw in New York.

Secretary Shaw was in New York yesterday and saw several bankers in Wall street, and, subsequently, issued the following statement: "From and after Tuesday, October 23, deposits to facilitate gold importations will be discontinued." He said in connection with the announcement that importations had exceeded his expectations, and he believed that for the present America had quite its share and he had no disposition to disturb conditions in Europe by a continuation of that method of relief. He also announced that he would stimulate national bank circulation to the extent of \$18,000,000 by accepting approved securities other than government bonds for deposits already made, the bonds released to be used immediately as a basis of circulation without withdrawal from the Treasury.

## Nation's Alcoholic Bill.

According to the statistics gathered by a trade magazine, the United States spent during 1905 \$222,000,000 for non-alcoholic drinks and \$1,324,000,000 for alcoholic drinks.

The figures, apportioned to the various classes, are: For cocoa, \$8,000,000; for tea, \$52,000,000; for coffee \$162,000,000; for wines, \$96,000,000; for whiskey, \$457,000,000; and for beer, \$711,000,000.

The quantities consumed are estimated to be, in millions of gallons, coffee, 1652; beer, 1538; tea, 600; spirits and wine, 135. The total consumption of these liquids was about 4,000,000,000 gallons.

## Survives Removal of Stomach.

Fred. Hoess, of Kendall, Wis., aged 45, will live the remainder of his life, which promises to be a long and happy one, without a stomach. Hoess was on Thursday at Lacrosse discharged from St. Francis' Hospital as cured after his stomach had been removed. Hoess had suffered for years with cancer of the stomach and had been given up to die. He was sent to Lacrosse by relatives and as a last resort the man's stomach was removed entirely, including all cancerous growth. Hoess rapidly convalesced and appears as healthy and strong as ever.

## New Corn 150-Bushel Kind.

After several years of experimenting, Dr. A. M. Moore, professor of Agronomy of the Agriculture College of Wisconsin University has succeeded in developing "breeding" a species of Indian corn that yields 150 bushels to the acre, several times over the yield of ordinary varieties. Last spring Professor Moore was allotted 22 acres of the University farm for his experiment with his corn and a test just made shows that the yield runs a little more than 150 bushels to the acre. The field was of rich black soil, well fertilized, and thoroughly worked before the crop was put in.

The November Metropolitan, which has been received from its publishers in New York, is a typical Thanksgiving number. Its leading article, "The Dying of the Buckaroo," is full of exciting tales of piracy. "The Great Northwest" is a most interesting contribution. "Our Salmon Fisheries" should be read by all who are interested in a Great Economic Resource. "Caricatures and Max Beers" is amusing and well illustrated. The short stories in this number are of unusual strength, and "The World at Large" contains in a condensed form the news of the world.

## Today's Telegraphic News.

The New York gubernatorial campaign. New York, Oct. 23.—Predicting that he will be elected by 150,000 majority, William R. Hearst, democratic and independence league candidate for governor, addressed the largest and most enthusiastic meeting of his campaign in Madison Square Garden last night. Fully 10,000 people were packed into the auditorium, and outside numerous meetings were held where certain orators were at a premium. Mr. Hearst delivered his most pretentious speech of the campaign. It was devoted largely to telling of his fights against corporations and monopolies.

He also devoted considerable time to retelling charges made against him of having made a deal with leader Murphy of Tammany. He asserted he has no more of a deal with Murphy than with P. H. McCarren. He repeated his declaration that he did not want the support of an "ice trust mayor, a traction trust district attorney, a corrupt Standard Oil lobbyist like McCarren, nor an insurance lobbyist like Woodruff." Mr. Hearst was given a warm reception and every utterance was cheered.

In political circles here a great deal of importance is being attached to the speech of republican candidate Hughes delivered at Kingston. Mr. Hughes referred to Hearst's recent speech in which he described his men as Altos. B. Parker, District Attorney Jerome and other old time democrats as croton bugs, crockaches and rats, and said he was glad to be associated with such democrats in the campaign.

A Minister Arraigns the Modern Church. St. Louis, Oct. 23.—Dr. W. B. Boyd, for 30 years pastor of the Second Baptist Church, one of the wealthiest congregations in this city, announces that he has quit the ministry, declaring that all clergymen must be subservient to "the money power" or leave their churches. "The modern fashionable city church," says Dr. Boyd, "is run by one to six men who are the largest contributors to the funds, and therefore insist on certain policies of administration. These men could put no padlock upon my lips. What I believe I preach. Men take the church for a cloak for respectability. The way modern churches are run is responsible for the great ethical culture societies, the Christian science creed, and kindred organizations. The tendency of the modern fashionable church is wholly to subvert the interests of the rich."

Pope Pius Praises America. Rome, Oct. 23.—In an interview with Bishop Burke, of St. Joseph, Mo., who was received in private audience by Pope Pius today, the pontiff expressed his warm approval of Americans and all things American, and declared that present indications are that the world will soon see its ideal of civilization in the United States. In recounting his interview with the Pope the bishop said he found the Pope very enthusiastic about America. He spoke feelingly of the frequent proofs of attachment which Americans have given him, and then exclaimed: "What a wonderful country America is. Europe discovered it, but now America can teach Europe the real meaning of true liberty, progress and respect toward religion. It appears as if we would soon receive our ideals of civilization from America. I bless America and Americans."

## King Edward in Automobile Accident.

London, Oct. 23.—An automobile in which King Edward VII. was traveling to Newmarket, while moving at a high rate of speed, struck a man near Hyde Park today, knocking him from the roadway and inflicting serious injuries. The King got a severe shaking up when the motor car was brought to a sudden stop, but was not hurt otherwise. He jumped from the car and superintended the sending of the man to a hospital. The King expressed his regret that his motor car should have struck one of his subjects. The journey to Newmarket was continued at reduced speed.

## Trouble Anticipated.

Warsaw, Poland, Oct. 23.—Serious trouble is anticipated here tomorrow, as a consequence of the sudden calling of a general strike intended as a protest against the execution of a number of socialists who have been sentenced to death by a drum head court martial which condemned fourteen socialists. As soon as this became known arrangements were at once made for calling out all the workmen in the city. The people are greatly excited, and it is feared a clash with the police and troops will follow the attempt to inaugurate a strike.

## Buried Alive.

Wilmington, Del., Oct. 23.—In the presence of newspaper men here this morning, Professor Lawson Herrmann buried alive the body of J. H. Richards, a young man of this city. The professor is a scientific hypnotist and is performing the feat to prove that many persons who are believed to be dead are only in a state of coma. Richards has every appearance of death. Previous to his interment physicians forced him pins into his flesh, but the victim showed no indications of pain. He is to be taken from his temporary grave on Friday.

## The Machinists' Strike.

Spartanburg, S. C., Oct. 23.—Negotiations looking to the settlement of the differences between the Southern Railway and over 1,000 machinists having failed, it is understood that the company will at once begin filling the strikers' places. The employees are contending for higher wages for machinists and apprentices. A long drawn out fight is expected. A crisis in the situation may come within a few days, although on the surface every thing is quiet now.

## Baron and Author Fight a Duel.

Stuttgart, Germany, Oct. 23.—A quarrel over a woman led to a duel with pistols being fought here today between Baron Hutz and Ferdinand Piper, an author. The men exchanged shots at fifteen paces and Piper was wounded.

## Carrier Pigeons Perish.

New Brunswick, N. J., Oct. 23.—Fire of unknown origin destroyed the stable of former Senator Adrian last night. A score of record-breaking homing pigeons, some of which had taken prizes at Madison Square Garden and were highly prized by the Senator and his son, perished in the flames.

Many a man of humane impulses, who would not willingly harm a kitten, is guilty of cruelty where his own stomach is concerned. Overdriven, overworked, when what it needs is something that will digest the food eaten and help the stomach to recuperate. Something like Kodol For Dyspepsia that is sold by W. F. Crenshaw & Co., 401 King street.

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3-4 Napkins to match, \$2.25 per doz.  
Size 2x2 1-2 yards hemstitched German Damask Table Cloths, \$2.25 value. Special price, per set, \$1.75.  
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White linen 32x32 Sheets to match, per pair, \$7.00.

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## Political Crisis in England.

London, Oct. 23.—Extreme importance is attached to the session of parliament which opened today in view of the possibility that before final adjournment comes the breach already existing between the House of Commons and the House of Lords will have become so wide that active steps will be undertaken to abolish the hereditary upper house. The dead lock already existed before the adjournment of the last session. An effort will be made by the government to force the Lords to agree to the pending measures which have caused so much discussion. Every indication shows that the Lords will resist to the end. An appeal to the country on the proposition to either abolish the House of Lords, or to take away its powers, is regarded as the certain outcome of the struggle unless a compromise can be arranged. Members of the government and liberal leaders in the Commons have gone further than to merely hint that such a movement to do away with the upper house will follow continued opposition to the advanced legislation proposed by the government, and for what the liberal party is pledged, and for that reason the session just opening is regarded as the most important in years.

There are several measures of great importance to the country over which the two houses have clashed. The first to come will be the education bill. Both the Church of England and the Catholic Church are opposed to the measure. Nearly every bishop has expressed his opposition, and many of the Lords as well have declared they will never agree to it becoming a law.

The struggle between the two houses may become bitter at the very beginning of the session over the bill.

There is a possibility, however, that the issue may be postponed pending the appeal of the legal decision against the public payment for religious instruction in elementary schools. If the Lords take up the consideration of the education bill at once, trouble is expected.

Several other measures which have aroused just as bitter feeling will be sent to the House of Lords soon by the Commons. One of these is the trades disputes bill. The measure originally was drawn up by the Attorney General, but the government substituted the bill of the labor party which gives greater protection to trades unions by exempting their funds from liability for illegal acts committed by members of the unions.

## Yields Him \$2,280 a Day.

Franklin, Pa., Oct. 23.—Within a few hours Andrew Rupp, of this city, has been transformed from a man scarcely able to pay his debts to an oil producer, with wealth pouring in upon him at the rate of \$95 an hour, or \$2,280 a day. The transformation is due to his striking the largest oil well the Pennsylvania field has seen in 25 years. It was drilled in ten miles below this city, and in spite of the efforts of the workmen to reduce its production, because of the lack of facilities to handle the fluid, it is even yet flowing at the rate of 75 barrels an hour. When the Standard Oil Company has completed its arrangements for handling the oil, the gusher may do as high as 4,500 barrels a day. The Standard has a big force of men at work laying pipelines. Mr. Rupp is 50 years of age. Two other parties share in his good fortune. They are William Witherspoon, an old farmer, and his wife, who own the farm on which the well is located. Their one-eighth royalty is now yielding them \$14 for every hour in the 24.

## Failure of Central American Bank.

Berlin, Oct. 23.—German commercial enterprise in Central America has suffered a disastrous blow in the failure of the Central American Bank. The bank was founded by the Deutsche Bank to promote Germany's financial and business interests in the various Central American states, and the Deutsche Bank will pay the deficit of its disorganizing. Germany in recent years has been making efforts to enlarge her business influence in Central America, as well as in South America, and it is believed many enterprises will be affected by the failure.

## Drunken Partridges.

Plainville, Conn., Oct. 23.—Some local hunters while tramping through the woods two miles west of here yesterday captured five partridges which were flopping around the ground in a helpless condition. Investigation showed that the birds had been feeding on a cluster of cope berries and were helplessly intoxicated.

## Is the Moon Inhabited.

Science has proven that the moon has an atmosphere, which makes life in some form possible on that satellite, but not for human beings, who have a hard enough time on the earth of ours; especially those who don't know that Electric Bitters cure Headache, Biliousness, Malaria, Chills and Fever, Jaundice, Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Torpid Liver, Kidney complaints, General Debility and Female weakness. Unusually as a general Tonic and Appetizer for weak persons and especially for the aged. It induces sound sleep. Fully guaranteed by E. S. Leachester & Sons, Druggists. Price only 50c.

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## Stylish Separate Skirts.

Good Quality All-wool Cheviot Skirts, in black and brown, representing a Special value, at \$5.00 each.  
Handsome Embroidered Black Broadcloth Skirts, in a number of very stylish and attractive shapes and effects. \$15.00, \$20.00, and \$25.00 each.

## Corsets for the New Fall Costume.

Some excellent domestic makes:  
Girdle Corsets, made of ribbons in white and dainty shades of pink and blue. \$1.00  
J. B. Corsets, straight front, hip high, elastic attached. \$1.50  
Corset "H." cut, straight front, high bust, dip hip, elastic attached. \$1.75  
C. C. Corsets, straight front, dip hip. \$2.00  
Ivy Corsets, batiste, straight front short hip, elastic attached. \$2.25  
Nemo Corsets, suitable for stout figures. \$3.00  
Imported Corsets, \$5.50 to \$25.

## Special.

P. N. Corsets, made of good quality white coutil, popular straight front, dip hip model, with elastic attached. Sizes 18 to 30. 79c. Value, \$1.00.

## Third floor—Eleventh at.

## Women's New Silk Hosiery.

Women's Pure Silk Hosiery, black, embroidered in forget-me-nots, rose wreaths and several small, dainty designs. A